

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 534

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A RESOLUTION to honor the founders, owners, and employees of Sites Jewelers upon eighty-nine successful years in business.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly takes great pride in recognizing those estimable businesses in Tennessee that have served their customers for generations by establishing a tradition of quality service, genuine concern for their patrons, and a commitment to their community; and

WHEREAS, one such exemplary business is Sites Jewelers of Clarksville, which has closed its doors after four generations of providing the community with exceptional customer service and quality merchandise for any economy; and

WHEREAS, established in 1922 by first-generation owner C.G. Sites, the store replaced Cook's Jewelers at its closing and faithfully continued to fulfill the area's demand for quality gifts and jewelry that commemorate every special occasion, from engagements and weddings to anniversaries and holidays; and

WHEREAS, serving the Clarksville community through multiple stores from 1922 to 1997, John Sites consolidated the business into one store at Wilma Rudolph Boulevard, providing patrons with a wide selection of the finest jewelry at one convenient location; and

WHEREAS, after almost a century of dependable service and increasing sales, current owner Bill Sites, Sr., with son and fellow jeweler Bill, Jr., decided to close the family business and pursue new opportunities; and

WHEREAS, Bill, Sr., has served the local business community in various capacities, including a term as chairman of the Clarksville Area Chamber of Commerce, and will remain an active and contributing member of this community; and

WHEREAS, having upheld high standards of integrity and excellence for eighty-nine years, the Sites family may celebrate and fondly recall the many years of success enjoyed by Sites Jewelers; and

WHEREAS, it is highly appropriate that we pause to recognize this highly significant, multi-generational family business, which will be greatly missed by its loyal patrons and the Clarksville community; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and commend John Sites, Bill Sites, Sr., Bill Sites, Jr., and the employees of Sites Jewelers upon eighty-nine successful years in business, express our appreciation for the store's constancy in the Clarksville community, and wish the dedicated owner and employees success in all their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.